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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

This paper is in response to the Restriction Requirement mailed September 16, 2004. The Examiner has required restriction to one of the following identified patentably distinct species of the invention:

Species 1 – FIG. 1

Species 2 – FIG. 2

Species 3 – FIGS. 3-6